

[26th March 1928]

I**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.****STARRED QUESTIONS.****Local Boards***Cyclone grants to the Nellore District Board.*

* 1787 Q.—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) when the estimates for cyclone grants to Nellore District Board and the concerned taluk boards were received by the Government with the recommendations of the Collector;

(b) whether orders have been passed by the Government on the matter; if so, when; and

(c) if not, why not; and at what stage the matter is at present?

A.—(a) The District Board's first application for grants towards the repair to certain works, the estimates for which were then ready, was received with the Collector's recommendation in January 1928 and a consolidated list of other repair works in the jurisdiction of all the local boards concerned in the district was received in February 1928.

(b) & (c) Grants towards the repair of certain works under the Nellore District Board were sanctioned in February 1928. The question of providing funds for a grant towards the cost of the other works is being considered in connexion with the Civil Budget Estimate for 1928-29.

In the meantime the local boards concerned have been asked to take steps to carry out as much of the repair work as they can, meeting the expenditure from their funds.

Public Health*Aid from the Rockefeller Institute from 1920-21.*

* 1788 Q.—SYED TAJUDIN SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health and Excise be pleased—

(a) to lay on the table a statement of monetary contributions and other technical assistance received by this Government from the Rockefeller Institute from 1920-21 till 1927-28; and

(b) to state—

(i) why the free honorary services of Dr. Kendrick of America under Hookworm campaign have been dispensed with by Government now; and

(ii) what steps are being taken by the hon. the Minister to address the Rockefeller Institute for enhancing their contributions and scope of humanitarian public health development work in this presidency and for securing their free co-operation in our anti-malarial and cholera operations also?